

[0062] What is claimed is:

1. A method comprising:
 - associating overlapping areas of a touch interface of a mobile electronic device with letters such that each area is associated with only one letter.
2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
 - detecting a location of a user's touch on said touch interface; and
 - for each area of said touch interface which includes said location, identifying the letter associated therewith.
3. The method of claim 2, further comprising:
 - if two or more letters are identified, using predictive text software to determine which of said identified letters said user intended to select.
4. The method of claim 3, further comprising:
 - providing said predictive text software with an indication that said location is closer to one of said identified letters than to others of said identified letters.
5. The method of claim 3, further comprising:
 - providing said predictive text software with an indication of how much closer said location is to one of said identified letters than to others of said identified letters.
6. A mobile electronic device comprising:
 - one or more touch interfaces to receive a touch by a user;
 - means for displaying one or more rows of letters;
 - means for associating overlapping areas of said one or more touch interfaces with said letters such that each area is associated with only one letter; and
 - a microprocessor to identify which letters are associated with areas of said touch interfaces that include a location of said touch.
7. The mobile electronic device of claim 6, wherein said one or more touch interfaces is a single touchpad.
8. The mobile electronic device of claim 7, wherein said rows of letters are spaced at a sufficient vertical distance that there is no ambiguity as to which row of letters is being touched.

9. The mobile electronic device of claim 6, wherein said one or more touch interfaces are two or more touchpads.
10. The mobile electronic device of claim 6, wherein said one or more touch interfaces is a single touchscreen.
11. The mobile electronic device of claim 10, wherein said rows of letters are spaced at a sufficient vertical distance that there is no ambiguity as to which row of letters is being touched.
12. The mobile electronic device of claim 10, wherein for at least one particular letter, an area of said touchscreen associated with said particular letter is overlapped by an area of said touchscreen associated with a different letter of an adjacent row.
13. The mobile electronic device of claim 6, wherein for at least one particular letter, an area of said touch interface associated with said particular letter is completely overlapped jointly by a portion of an area of said touch interface associated with an adjacent letter to the left of said particular letter and by a portion of an area of said touch interface associated with an adjacent letter to the right of said particular letter.
14. The mobile electronic device of claim 6, wherein for at least one particular letter, an area of said touch interface associated with said particular letter is partially overlapped by a portion of an area of said touch interface associated with an adjacent letter to the left of said particular letter and by a portion of an area of said touch interface associated with an adjacent letter to the right of said particular letter.
15. The mobile electronic device of claim 6, wherein said microprocessor is to execute a predictive text software module to determine which of said identified letters said user intended to select.